

The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Tuesday, July 30, 1728.

From the London Evening Post, July 23.
Hague, July 27.

Letters from Paris and Soissons confirm the Death of the Baron von Bentenide, his Imperial Majesty's third Plenipotentiary in the present Congress. This new and unforeseen Incident will certainly retard the Negotiations of Peace, unless Count Windigratz should on that Occasion hasten to the Congress, and assist in the Conferences during the Absence of Count Sinzendorf, who will return to Vienna as soon as they are brought into a Regular Method, and the King of Spain's Resolution is known with Regard to the principal Difficulties that at present obstruct the Business of the Congress, to wit, the Demand of some Places which the Spanish Ministry obstinately persist in, notwithstanding all the Remonstrances made to them by the Marquis de Brancas, Ambassador of France, who was sent to Madrid on Purpose to reconcile this Matter, and prevent its bursting out into a Flame; and in order thereto has roundly declared to them, that the Crown upon which they form this Demand, will, to his certain Knowledge, never consent that those Possessions shall be rendered precarious, by being discussed in a Congress of Peace; That the said Crown may now reject that Pretension with a better Grace, because the Preliminary Articles, which were to serve as a Ground Work of the future Treaty, make no Mention of such Surrenders: That the Crown in Question makes no other Demand, but the Redress of her Grievances, in Conformity to the Treaty of Utrecht, as the Basis of the future Negotiations; and would chuse rather to break up the Congress, than to be tied down to such hard Terms, and Conditions so prejudicial to her Interest, &c. whereupon the Express which the Duke de Bourbonville dispatched to Madrid before he left Paris, was sent back from Madrid with new Instructions upon that Article, and tho' we have no certain Knowledge what they are, yet 'tis whispered among the publick, that they are favourable to

the Allies of Hanover, particularly to Great Britain.

Vienna, July 14. On Friday last an Imperial Edict was published here, to encourage the Manufacturers, employ a great Number of poor, and prevent Money being sent out of the Country; several Merchandizes are prohibited thereby, such as Cotton, Damies, Woollen Stuffs, and others mixed with Wool, Silk Stuffs, Leather dressed, (except that from Russia) Calf and Sheep Skins, Cassian and Turkey Leather, Gold and Silver Thread and Wires, Gold and Silver Stuffs, Brocades, Sillnes, Fringes, Points d'Espagne, Embroideries, Laces, Stockings, either Silk or mixed, all Sorts of Hats, Ribbons made of Gold, Silver, or mixed, Linen of several Sorts, Sattin, Roseto's, &c.

Caninick, July 1. A strong Detachment having been lately sent against the Cossacks, who made Incursions into this Country, a great Number of 'em have been defeated, and the rest put to Flight.

Leopol, July 17. Many Cossacks are brought hither, who had been taken Prisoners by our Troops, several of whom are to be hanged, and the others kept in Prison till the Arrival of the Great General of the Crown, who is shortly expected here from Podolia.

London, July 23. We learn from Lisbon, That the Pope had sent to Mr. Bich, requiring him to appear at Rome within 3 Months Time on pain of Excommunication, threatening all who should be accessory to his Detention with the same; and it was believed his Portuguese Majesty will consent to his Return to Rome.

From the Evening Post, July 23.

Soissons, July 22. Last Monday Morning a Conference was held in the Castle by such Plenipotentiaries as remain here. The next Day Mr. Hope, First Plenipotentiary of Holland, set out for Paris, where he will tarry some Time. On the other hand, arrived Mr. Stanhope, First Plenipotentiary of



of Great Britain, at his Country-house, and this had caught 110, and that 21 English Ships had caught 13 Whales and an half; and that 8 Dutch and one Bremanish Ship were lost on the ice. And one of the Papers has it, that 2 English were also lost.

Rome, July 10. Cardinal Alberoni is come to this City.

Madrid, July 12. Mr. Stratford, Agent of the South-Sea Company in England, has received Orders to depart from hence for Soissons, there to take care of the said Company's Interests.

London, July 23. Yesterday two Chaise Horses were bought for her Majesty, who designs to accompany his Majesty in the Forest in a Chaise and Single Horse, in the same Manner as Queen Anne used to hunt in Windsor Forest.

From the Whitehall Evening Post, July 23.

Tunis, June 20. Some of the chief Inhabitants of Tunis have besought the Dey and Government of Algiers, underhand to use their good Offices to pacify the intestine Troubles of the Tunisians; but the former have not thought fit to meddle in this Matter, it being stipulated by Treaties, That neither Government shall concern itself with the other's domestick Affairs, which belongs only to the Grand Signor. Mean time we learn from Tunis, That the Bey had so closely block'd up his Nephew in the Mountains, that the Party of the latter was much weakned by Desertion, Sickness, &c. The laid Bey has sent 18 Mules laden with the Heads of the Rebels to Tunis, and has swore, not to lay down his Arms till his Nephew is in his Power, living or dead, and to hearken to no Accommodation but on that Head. The French Squadron was not come before Tunis the 18th last.

Moscow, June 28. The Prince Galiczin is on his Departure to command in chief the Russian Troops in Persia, and to regulate the Limits with the Persians. General Wiesback, who commands in the Ukraine, has Orders to march against the Rebel Cossacks to bring them to Reason.

London, July 23. The Duech Prints by Sunday's Mail give an Account of a Ship being arrived at Ghoree, with 6 Whales from Davis's Streights, the Master whereof reports, that 70 Ships in these Parts, when he came off, had caught 180 Whales, and that a Ship was arrived from Greenland, the Master whereof reported, That 39 Dutch Ships

South Sea Stock 103, 5 8ths. Ditto Annuities, 103, 1 8th. Bank, 132. India 162. York Buildings 15, 1 8th.

Note. S. S. Stock sells as above with the Dividend of 2 per Cent. due at Midsummer last, which will be paid the 9th of August. India and Royal Assurance Stock sell as above with their several Dividends.

From the Post Boy, July 23.

Petersburg, July 6. General Jagousinski is upon the point of setting out for Soissons, in quality of Ambassador Plenipotentiary of the Czar to the Congress there.

From the St. James's Evening-Post, July 23.

Hague, July 24. The Cargoes of our 6 East India Ships arrived in the Texel, amount by Computation to 1,000,000 sterl. We have received a Courier from Mr. Hop, our First Plenipotentiary at Soissons, for some further Instructions, which are preparing to be sent thither.

Worcester, July 18. We have an Account from Stourbridge, That a Gentlewoman in that Neighbourhood was delivered by a Surgeon, of a Child of an extraordinary Size, being in Length 2 Foot 11 Inches, from Shoulder to Shoulder 9 Inches, and 16 round the Head, and all its Limbs of a proportionable Bigness. Its Largeness inevitably caused its own and Mother's Death, who expired about an Hour after her Delivery.

From the Flying Post, July 23.

Moscow, June 23. We have Advice that Knez Menzicoff is now treated with much more Severity than ever; and that his Princess has taken his Ufage so much to Heart that she is since dead.

Hamburg, July 20. The Duke of Holstein keeps still private at Rhinbeck; however, 'tis said he will shortly return to Kiel, every Thing now being ready for transporting the late Datchess to Peterburgh. Mr. Vann Platen, his R. Highness's Great Marshal, has reported, That notwithstanding the King of Denmark's Resolution not to admit any

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Foreign Minister during his Journey, he had not a Dauphine, proves to be a Princess, of which she only an Audience, but was received with great Distinction. 'Tis said a certain Merchant has received a Commission from the Russian Court, to pay his Royal Highness the sums allowed him for his Table.

Paris, July 28. The Actions are about 1325.

Wye's Letter, verbatim, London, July 25.

Since our last arrived a Mail from France.

They write from Bristol, That on the 22d Inst. the Honourable John Scrope Esq; was elected Recorder of that City, on the Resignation of that Place by the Lord Chief Justice Byre. And touching the Engagement which the Kettlington from Jamaica, of 250 Tons and 12 Guns, had with the Spanish Privateer, they give these further Particulars, viz. That altho' the latter had 6 Carriage Guns mounted, and as many Swivels, and abundance of Blunderbusses and small Arms, with about 100 Men, yet the Kettlington fought her above an Hour within Pistol Shot, and tho' she was boarded by a great Number at once, supposed to be 60 or 70, they kill'd them all except 2; and afterwards pursued the said Privateer, and continued firing so briskly and so disabled her that she was in a sinking Condition. The Ship came safe home, and the Men are like to be well rewarded for their Bravery.

But if the Spanish Privateers should continue to cruise upon the English after the Cessation of Arms being agreed to, is what People cannot reconcile. Mean Time it will not be very long before we shall be able to form a better Judgment than at present, of the Proceedings of the Congress: For by the French Mail, we have Letters from Paris of the 3rd Instant, with an Account, That the Couriers which the Plenipotentiaries who are in that City, had dispatched to their Courts, are most of them returned; and their Excellencies are preparing to go back to Soissans, to continue the Conferences.

The Town daily expects the Arrival of an Express, with News of the Death of the King of Spain, Some private Letters by the last Mail, making his Majesty to be in a very dangerous and weak Condition. As to the other Expectations they were under of the Queen of France being brought to Bed of

was safely delivered at Versailles the 20th instant. We are informed from Tunbridge Wells, That Yesterday the Princess Amelia went to dine at Meerworth, a fine Seat of Collonel Fans, built after an Italian Model: And 'tis said her Royal Highness will set out next Monday for Hampton Court, where 'tis said a Grand Council will be held this Evening. Mean time very odd Reports continue to be raised under the present Juncture of Affairs, particularly that the Czar designs to break with a certain Power, &c.

What Treaties the King of Spain may have entered into with Moscow we know not; but it does not appear that his Finances are in a very good State, by his raising, as mentioned in our last, 200,000 Plasters extraordinary, on the Lading of the Ship St. Francisco Xavier; and to be reimbursed on the Arrival of the Galleons; the Detention of which by the English Fleet, you know prevented the Execution of the Projects concerted in the Vienna treated.

Capt. John Balchen is made Rear Admiral of the Blue, in Room of Admiral Cavendish, who is made Vice-Admiral of the White, in place of Admiral Hopson, whose Corpse was buried at Jamaica.

Mr. Justice Coupar was lately married to Mrs. Stepny, a Widow Lady of a great Fortune.

This Morning two Women were taken up on Suspicion of murdering Mr. Rostock, and this Evening they were examined before Sir William Billars, who committed them to the Counter; and 'tis expected Discoveries will be made: Mean Time the Body is not found.

S. S. Stock 101 1 half without the Dividend.

They are ready at the Bank to deliver out War-rands for the 3 per Cent. Annuities.

From the London Evening-Post. July 25.

Hague, July 30. Men begin to talk here of a new Augmentation of the Troops, in case the Negotiations at Soissans should not have the desir'd Effect; of which we have still good Hopes, tho' we cannot pretend to ascertain the Success, to speak Truth. The last Letters from Soissans and Paris are not so favourable as we could wish, the Spanish Plenipotentiaries still persisting in their Demand of certain Post-

Possessions, as a Condition *sine qua non*; the Consequences whereof one may easily foretell, unless they can be persuaded to change their Tone. In the mean while we flatter ourselves, that the ordinary Conferences will be resum'd upon the Return of the Plenipotentiaries that are absent, and that the General Conference will be held the 7th of next Month. Count Zinzendorf does not propose to set out on his Return to Vienna till the latter End of August, before which Time Count Windisgratz is expected at Soissons, and perhaps a 3d Plenipotentiary in room of Baron Bentenrider. This Gentleman was bred under the High Chancellor Count Zinzendorf, having been many Years his Secretary, as well during his Embassy here as at the Congress of Utrecht: But, how well soever the Count may be disposed, 'tis very well known the Baron was never a Friend to this Republick.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

To be let at Martinmas next, a large HOUSE in Ke I., consisting of 10 large Firerooms, most of them well finished and new fash'd, with Garrets, good Cellars, Stables, Brewhouse, Bakehouse, Coachouse, Granaries and other Conveniences, together with a large Garden, Orchard and Bowling Green, very proper either for publick Inn or private Family. For the Taekman's Encouragement, he may enter any time after the First of October next, and have either a long or short Tack, as the Proprietor and he can agree. Enquire at George Purdie in the Exchange Coffeehouse.

It being resolved at a General Meeting of the Creditors of MERICSTON, LETHAM and BLAIR, That their Clerk should raise the Summons of Adjudication for Behoof of the whole Creditors, as formerly advertised, against the 20th of August next: These are to desire such of the Creditors as have not already subscribed and given in their Assignations in favours of the Trustees, and Extracts of their Grounds of Debt, to John Mein Writer to the Signet their Clerk, as directed by former Advertisements, That they would, betwixt and the said 20th of August next, do the same, otherwise they will be deprived of the Benefit of this common Adjudication; he being ordered by the above Resolve, no longer to delay, but immediately after elapping of that Day to raise the same, for the Behoof of such who shall have transmitted into his Hands their Assignations and Extracts of their Grounds of Debt. Any who has not got Copies of the Form of Assignation to be granted in the Trustees Favours, may have the same at the Writing chamber of the said John Mein, 2d Stair below the Cross-well, Edinburgh.

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N. B. The 2d Quarter of the 9th Year commenced the 25th Instant: So the Author expects, that those who are furnished with this Paper, will pay up the Arrears, with this Quarter.

¶¶¶ That the whole Household Plenishing and Furniture pertaining to the deceast JAMES BROUNHILL Wright in Edinburgh, are to be sold, by way of publick Roup, at his House in Barringer's Close, on Thursday the First of August next, beginning at 10 o'clock, and to continue from Day to Day till the final Sale thereof: That there is also to be sold by publick Roup, the said James Brounhill his whole Timber Work finished and unfinisht, Timber of several Kinds in his Shops, Warehouses and Yards, and in the Timber Bush of Leith; and several other Materials, such as Crown-Glaes, &c. to begin on Tuesday the 6th of August next, to continue till all is sold; the Inventories whereof to be seen in the Hands of William Hardy, at Mr. Brounhill's House: That the Trustees for the Creditors of the said James Brounhill, earnestly desire the Creditors who have not already signed the Disposition which is in the Hand of Mr. James Armour Writer to the Signet, may come and sign the same, any Time betwixt and the 15th of August next; and that they and all the other Creditors who have not signed the said Disposition, may give into Alexander Young Writer, one of the Trustees, betwixt and the said Day, their whole Grounds of Debt, to the end the Trustees may proceed to cognosce and Confirm.

¶¶¶ Being informed that John Wardlaw, Son to the decaen Sir Henry Wardlaw of Pitrevie, who has been abroad above these 30 Years, hath died in some of the Plantations, and he has four Brethren and one Sister alive; these are desiring any who knows the Place where the said John hath died, and of what Effects he has left, may give Information of the same to William Black, Clerk to the Regality of Dumfermling within the County of Fife, Scotland.

¶¶¶ That the Parks of Nisbet, containing about Three Plough gang of Land, inclosed and divided by a stone and Lime Dike, with a good Dwellinghouse two stories high, and convenient Officehouses for a Farmer; As also, Four Plough-gang of Land not inclosed, having good Onsites and proper Officehouses; all belonging to Sir Harry Nisbet of Dean, and within a Mile of Edinburgh: Are immediately to be set in Tack to 2 or 3 different Tenants for the ensuing Cropt 1729, at a reasonable Rent, and for such Space as can be best agreed on. The Rental and Conditions of the Tacks to be seen in the Hands of Archibald Stuart Writer to the signet, opposite to the Tolbooth: And any Tenant enquiring for Robert Henderson, Grieve at Dean, will be attended by him in viewing the Ground.

N. B. The above Plough-gang of Land, for these 4 or 5 Cropts past, have been in the Hands of Sir John Nisbet of Dean, deceast, and were by him brought into perfect good Order for Tenantry. There are several Houses and Yards also to be set at Dean.